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A SOLID SOUTH

A Paper On the Subject by Mr John W. Jomlinson

HITS THE MARK

Should and Will the South Remain Solid is His Text-How Are We to Be Helped by Division?-What Are the Democratic Principles In-

sin the current issue of the National Monthly Mr. John W. Tomlinson, of Alabama, discusses the Solid South in the following article:

This question was agitated by the Republicans during the recent Presidential campaign. They played it as a long shot with the hope of possibly winning one or two of the Southern States. Local conditions were expected to help. Mr. Tait swung through the South. A few over-upprehensive Democrats urged the Democratic National Committee to have Mr. Bryan do likewise. This was deemed entirely unnecessary. The result showed the committee was right. The South remained, and will continue, solid in its adherence

to Democracy. And yet the echo of this question still sounds in some quarters in the South. Newspapers discuss it as interesting speculation for the entertainment of readers. A few take the affirmative, possibly hoping to curry favor with the powers that be. Still a few others conscientiously think that it would be for the South's best interest to be divided politically. All these represent a very small minority. The Southerner is a Democrat only to maintain white supermacy. The negro question is no divorce ax cut him off and now as longer a menace. It has been solved by the South itself. Its solution has ried woman is leading a life of demonstrated the necessity and value of that Democratic foundation principle, local self-government, as is being shown now in the Pacific Slope States in the matter of the Japanese and the schools.

Those who contend that the solid South should be broken suggests that such is the only method by which the South can get into the game of think the country is hopelessly Rethe dilemma is to join the Republican party. We believe that Democratic principles will ultimately tri- minutes. umph in the nation; that the contest-Democratic; that influences are used, gone out to feed the chickens only however, in those States to thwart a few moments after Mr. Witherused in each presidential year do this acress the street could reach him, that in the South no amount of mon- although he was cafled immediately. ey can buy an election; that the South stands today as a bulwark will come when such methods will party that is against the publicity of campaign committees will not tent. be allowed to collect or use any more

paign. account of its solidity for Demorecognition in the Democratic National conventions or in Democratic councils. This is untrue. The South is entitled to and does get proper recognition. A Southerner was the chairman of our last Democratic National convention; an Alabamian was chairman of a sub-committee of the national committee having in charge the work of organization during the campaign; a North Carolinian was chairman of the press bureau of the Democratic National Committee; another Southerner was chairman of one of the most important committees at our eastern headquarters; our the high waters suddenly broke over Southern Senators, Representatives the temporary fixture, sweeping a rescued by their fellow workmen. and prominent Democrats took a most important part as speakers in the contested States.

It is urged that the Democrats of the South show cowardice in adhering to their party. This is not ture. If there is any cowardice displayed. it is on the part of those who are ed with similar attempts of three really at heart Republicans, but men to drown themselves in the have not the courage of their con- Hudson river. An expressman as victions. They should join and alliliate with the party in whose prin- his mind and was joyfully rescued. ciples they believe. They should not One of the men returned home to remain in the Democratic party, read a pathetic death notice which seeking at all time and on all oc- he had left for his family. casions to undermine and overthrow that party. If two parties in the South divided on matters of principle, all right. But to suggest the ers who have written recently on splitting up of the South in order this subject. to get into the game, or for any other matters of expediency, is un- towards the South, as outlined in worthy of consideration.

ciple or policy is detrimental? We ocrats who are untrue to their party good authority that Mr. Scars paid are told we must progress, yet when will not, in my opinion, tend to about \$900,000 for the land. The Democratic principles are applied to strengthen the cause of his party in property is 80 by 105 feet. future Southern Republican may be- fight the Democratic party from the straight, a total of ninety-eight out erty as far as any claims that the Marys, O., this week, killed Henry come a cabinet officer under a Re- inside.

MATED EIGHT TIMES

AND DIVORCE.

Eighth Last Week, Hopes He May Out-Live Her.

Five husbands divorced, one a suicide and another the victim of a mysterious death is the modest record of Mrs. Polly Weed Baker, aged 68 years, and married this week to Simon Shippert, aged 60, of Burlington, Ia. It was her ninth ceremony. Shippert was her eighth husband. 'I hope he lives as long as I do," is the remark the bride made at the cicre of the latest ceremony.

The reason for the disparity be-

tween the number of husbands and marriages is that the woman married one man twice. Her first marriage in her remarkable career was to Henry Fuquar, a farmer boy. Divorc separated them after seven years and the wife declared she would shun men from that day on. Ir a few months James Fuquar, cousing to the first husband, came marching home from the Civil war. Nine months later he came home drunk, shot up his home and was divorced. James Henry Robinson was the next husband. Three days after the wedding he was arrested on a breach of promise charge and was divorced. George S. Boyden managed to live with the divorcer ten years and was then cast aside. Four years later S. R. Reed, of Newburg, began a life of bliss which was terminated by a mysterious death. Boyden took a second chance and committed suicide. Three years later R. E. Edwards took up the burden and was divorced. William Baker, aged 40, married the divorcee in leave her property to him, but the Mrs. Simon Shippert, the much-mar-

ANOTHER SUMTER SUICID. 1.

A Man Drinks Carbolic Acid and

Dies at Once. Mr. James H. Witherspoon, manager of the Whilden Furniture Com-Federal government. They seem to pany, committed suicide at his home on East Liberty street in Sumter publican and the only way out of about 7:30 o'clock Friday morning. He drank four ounces of carbolic acid and death ensued within a few

He was found in a dying condition ed States in the North and West are in the garden by his wife who had the will of the people; that the spoon left the house. He was dead enormous corruption funds that are before Dr. Osteen, who lives just

Coroner Flowers summoned a jury and held the inquest immediately against such methods; that the time | The verdict of the jury was that J. H. Witherspoon came to his death not be tolerated anywhere; that a from poisoning by carbolic acid ing over the country no man's life which he drank with suicidal in-

The deceased had been a resident money than is necessary for paying of Sumter for ten or twelve years the legitimate expenses of the cam- and had many friends there. He was about 45 years old. He is sur-It is furthermore urged that on vived by his wife and two children. He was a member of Game Cock cracy the South is not given proper Lodge K. of P., Hollywood Camp, W. of W., and the National Union.

SWEPT INTO RIVER.

Water Runs Over Dam, Carrying Engine and Men.

Night Superintendent John Snyder drowned at lock No. 15 in the Far- York, Joseph N. Long and John Manrior river Friday afternoon and a ning, two structural iron workers, negro fireman, Rasberry Jones, nar- had a remarkable escape from death rowly escaped the same fate. The Friday. After rising to the surface men were working on the dam when the men, although considerably stunlocomotive and the two men before They were taken to a hospital, where it. The negro saved himself cling- it was said that Long's skull was aping to a crib.

Driven to Suicide.

At New York the first bad and within the next few days. humid day of the summer's creditsoon as he struck the water changed

publican administration! Such is the logic of Mr. Julian Harris and oth-

President Taft's proposed policy his recent utterances on the sub-How is the South to be helped ject will have little bearing upon the by division? What Democratic prin- question. His policy toward Demthe solution of present problems we the South. The only way for the are warned to get back to old fash- Republicans to build up their party ioned Democracy. On the other in the South, in my opinion, is to hand, when a protest is made against convince Democrat that Republic trap shooter, was a member of the Republican measures striking at the can policies are the best. Then, for squad which shot at the Chicago Gun foundation of our form of govern- such as are convinced, to join the Club Friday and easily succeeded in ment, we are charged with being Republican party boldly and advo- beating the male members of the or- 000, would be indisputably the full obstructionists. In the meantime, cate its principles and receive its ganization. Shooting from the ninethe gratuitous advice comes from the rewards. Democrats are not going teen-yard mark she broke forty-eight same sources to split up the solid to be split up by the undermining out of fifty. Shooting from the six-South in order, forsooth, that some process c. rewarding those who teen-yard mark she broke fifty

MOST FOULLY SLAIN

GOT RID OF HUSBAND BY DEATH YOUNG MAN SHOT DEAD FROM AMBUSH BY ASSASSIN.

Aged Indiana Matron Married to the Bloodhounds Trailed the Murderer to the Edisto River, Where He Took to His Boat.

> A most horrible tragedy occurred near the old Phillips mill site in Aiken county some m's above the Orangeburg line on las friday night. Mr. Cleve Fanning, a young man about 20 years old, was shot and instantly killed while returning home in his buggy. Mr. Norris Porter, near whose home the tragedy occurred, heard the shots, and later the young man's horse came up to his house. Finding the buggy all stained with blood, Mr. Porter became alarmed and went in search of the young man, finding him lying in the road dead.

> Mr. Fanning was driving along the unfrequented road, when he was shot from behind a tall pine. His brother, Jack Fanning, who has charge of the county chaingang, was notified to come and bring the hounds. The searching party found the dead body near the old Phillips mill site, which is about two and

> half miles north of Williston. The news spread very rapidly, and in a short time the community was enraged at the cowardly act of an

ınknown person. Since there was no other trail than he murderer's the dogs had no trouble in picking it up from behind a large pine, where the murderer stood to shoot his victim, as he sat in the buggy. The trail was then followed through the woods, for the fleeing man did not trust himself to the traveled roads, to a point on the Edisto river about six anl a half the hope that she would die and miles from the killing. There the dogs stopped at a tree on the river's brink and looked up as if they had the victim treed, but on closer examination it was seen where he had untied his boat. The dogs swam around in the river, but could pick up no trail on the other side.

Mr. Fanning was shot in the face with a pistol and the back with a shotgun. It is believed that he was ambushed by two or three men, and it is said that arrests may be made shortly, as certain parties are suspected of the diabolical crime. Mr. Fanning remarked in the store of Matthews & Newsom, just before he started home, that he was "afraid to go." Bad blood, it is said, had existed between him and some parties in the neighborhood for some time, and it is thought that he was expecting to be assassinated.

Mr. Fanning was a son of Mr. Gabe Fanning, a well-to-do farmer of his section, and the community is much saddened by his death. We hope the cowardly assassins will soon be caught. This crime, which is one of the most dastardly that can be conceived of, is getting to be very common in this section, and it should be suppressed. With assassins stalkis safe. This is about the sixth assassination that has occurred in this section of the State in the last few years, and we regret to say that not one of the cowardly assassins has been caught and strung up. This condition of things should be chang-

FALLS ONE HUNDRED FEET.

Iton Workers Drop From New Manhattan Bridge.

Falling 100 feet from a scaffold underneath a span of the new Manhattan bridge, now in course of conof South Pittsburg. Tenn., was struction, into the East river, New ned, managed to keep affoat until parently fractured. Manning, although he suffered considerable shock, will be able to resume work

BROUGHT GOOD PRICE.

Immense Profit Made on a Small

By holding a piece of Chicago down town property twenty-four years, William C. Lobenstine, of New York city, has made a clear profit of more than \$750,000. This is at the rate of more than \$20,000 a year. This became known when it was annonneed that Mr. Lobenstine had sold the southeastern corner of Jackson Boulevard and Plymouth Place. The consideration mentioned in the deed is nominal, but it is stated on

Beats the Men.

Mrs. Ada Topperwein, a woman of 100 she fired at.

INSIDE FACTS

Of the True History of the Clemson Bequest.

TO BUILD A COLLEGE

Given by Col. R. W. Simpson, Who Was a Friend of Mr. Clemson, and Who Drew His Will Deeding His Land and Money to Establish

Col. R. W. Simpson, who was an intimate friend of Mr. Clemson, gives the following history of the bequest of that gentleman to establish a col-

There seems to be so little known about the life and purpose of Mr. Thomas G. Clemson in connection an industrial college, in justice to it to be my duty to state the facts the masked band emptied a round of and let the people judge.

A short while before Mr. Calhoun's death his friends in Charles- slightest molestation. ton, seeing his declining health, subscribed liberally to purchase or charter a yacht to send him on a cruise, thinking thereby to restore him to his usual vigor. Before this laudable purpose could be carried into effect, Mr. Calhoun died. I can not fore was his to do as he pleased with, speak accurately of the amount subscribed, but according to my recollection it was between \$30,000 and \$40,000. After his death it was at the time of his death. Mr. Calhoun's debts were paid, and his estate in favor of their mother, Mrs. Floride Calhoun, and her afflicted daughter, Miss Cornelia Calhoun. Subsequently Mrs. Floride Calboun sold Fort Hill plantation and the negroes, formerly the property of John C. Calhoun, to her son, Col. A. P. Calhoun, for the sum in round numbers of \$40,000, for which he gave his bond and mortgage. Mrs. Floride Calhoun was to reside with her difficulty between the mother and home in Piedmont and resided there to the time of her death, and it was there she had her friend and relative, Mr. Armstead Burt, to write her will, in which she willed and degrandsons, sons of William and John property or the donation. But it was vised her Pendleton property to her Calhoun, then deceased, and the bond and mortgage of A. P. Calhoun on name the college Calhoun and not hrag-fourths he Fort Hil planta thereof, to Mrs. Clemson, her daughter, and one-fourth to Mrs. Lee, her granddaughter, with the provision for two years preceding his death. I that if the bond and mortgage were given in exchange for the land, it was to go to Mrs. Clemson and her

portion. Floride Calhoun and Col. A. P. Calhoun, Mrs. Clemson began proceedings to foreclose the mortgage on the Fort Hill plantation. After a etc., the court ordered the plantation to be sold. Mr. Clemson attended the sale at Walhalla, and bid in the land (Fort Hill) for Mrs. Clemson and his daughter, Mrs. Lee, for the sum of \$15,000, considered at the time the full value of the land. The cost and expense of the litigation connected with this foreclosure ber of attorneys employed, amounted to \$8,000. These costs and exthe proceeds of the sale of the land, were paid by Mr. Clemson out of his

daughter, Mrs. Lee, in the same pro-

own private funds. Mr. and Mrs. Clemson resided at Fort Hill, after the death of their two children, Mrs. Lee and Calhoun Clemson, they entered into an agreement to make wills in each other's favor and the survivor was to devote their joint property to the State to found an industrial college, Mrs. Temson having nothing to will but her three-fourths of the Fort Hill plantation, while Mr. Clemson had death. quite a sum of money which he had fortunately saved after the war.

It was also a part of this agreement that Mr. Clemson was to will out of his private property the sum of \$10,000 to their granddaughter. the only surviving child of their daughter, Mrs. Lee, and their object in making this donation to their granddaughter was that they could donate their property to the State free of any claim or equitable right that she, the grandchild, might have to the Fort Hill plantation.

In the meantime the Fort Hill plantation had been divided according to the terms of Mrs. Calhoun's will, setting off three-fourths to Mrs. Clemson and one-fourth to Mrs. Lee to the State, they considered the \$S,-000 paid to his granddaughter, which subsequently he increased to \$15,- ation. value of the land. Mr. Clemson always considered that the Fort Hill plantation, or three-fourths there of, was legally and rightfully his prop-Calhouns might set up, and there- Mahan, a veteran.

MURDERER LYNCHED

BY MOB IN JAIL YARD.

Be Made to Get Him Off on a Plea of Insanity.

At Tallahassee, Fla., dangling from a limb in the county jail yard, and within sight of the dome of Florida's Capitol, the lifeless body of Mark Morris, colored, greeted the people of that city Sunday morning. Already condemned to death for the murder of William Langston, late would have, on Friday, June 11, just of the law.

with the donation of his property to dragged from his cell in the jail and it is thrown away as soon as we the State for the purpose of founding and strung to the limb of a tree mack the cotton. within the jail inclosure. As if to

> strangely, and it is believed that fear cape the gallows through feigned insanity prompted the act of the mob.

he having paid \$23,000 therefor. record except as to the agreement softer now than it was a long time to compensate their granddaughter, agreed by the subscribers to this and let the Fort Hill plantation be fund to apply it to the payment of free from any claim that might be Mr. Calhoun's debts. He was not set up by the Calhouns or others a rich man and was largely in debt that they, Mr. and Mrs. Clemson, were donating that which they did not have a moral right to donate. children released their interest in his I was a witness to these facts and to the purposes they had in view.

There is, therefore, no foundation for the statement that Mr. Clemson tion." had settled Calhoun's property to the State and then given him name to the proposed institution. I wrote Mr. Clemson's will and I state posifor his name given to the college I am that one. Mr. Clemson wanted to give the name of Calhoun to the son, but there arose an unfortunate proposed institution, but I insisted that it should bear his name, beson, and Mrs. Calhoun purchased a cause I knew of the transactions by which his granddaughter was to be compensated for the full value of the plantation and that which he was donating to the State was his individual property and Mr. Calhoun had nothing whatever to do with the Mr. Clemson's purpose and desire to Clemson. I was his confidential attorney and

managed all of Mr. Clemson's affairs visited him once every week, and spent the day with him and he lived the life of a dignified, heart-broken hermit. During his last sickness he talked to me about religion and ask-Some time after the close of the ed his friend and attending physicwar and after the death of Mrs. ian, Dr. T. J. Pickens, to pray for him, and he asked me to bring a minister to see him, and I carried Rev. Mr. Clarkson to see him. He told me that during the several conversagreat deal of litigation, accounting, tions he had with Mr. Clemson he confessed his faith in Christ and said that Christ was able to save as great a sinner as he was. It was Mr. Clarkson's opinion that he was a converted and saved man.

Mr. Clemson was a strong believer in Mr. Calhoun and his political doctrines. During the early part of the war, while residing at his home proceedings, owing to the complicat- near the city of Washington, he was ed questions involved and the num- notified by a friend that he was to be arrested next day on account of his sympathies for the South. Therepenses, instead of being paid out of upon he and his son, Calhoun Clemson, escaped and that night crossed the Potomac in a skiff and then walked to Richmond and tendered their services to President Davis. Mr. Clemson was attached to the nitre and mining works in the department of the trans-Mississippi, and his son was given a commission in the regular army. Mr. Clemson served in the department to which he was attached to the end of the war. He then came to Pendleton and later to Fort Hill where he resided to the day of his

His daughter, Mrs. Lee, died in New York, and 17 days thereafter his son. Calhoun Clemson, was killed in a railroad accident at Seneca, S. C. Not a great while after the death of their two children Mrs. Cathoun died suddenly. For 10 years after the death of his wife and children Mr. Clemson lived a lonesome, desolate life and his death was one of the saddest scenes I ever witnessed. In my many conversations with him he impressed me as one who thoroughly understood the conditions in which off. the people were left by the result of the war. Having graduated from the school of mines in Paris he was firmly impressed with the conviction that an industrial education would alone or her daughter. They having meet the conditions then existing agreed to donate this three-fourths and he was vitally interested in helping to establish such an institution for the benefit of the rising gener-

R. W. SIMPSON, Pendleton, June 3, 1909.

Killed by Cannon.

Explosion of a cannon at St.

PLEADS FOR FARMERS

SLAYER OF SHERIFF HUNG UP OF THE SOUTH TO BE TREATED SAME AS OTHERS.

they Were Afraid an Attempt Would | Senator Tillman Urges the Free Entry of Cotton Bagging and Ties for Their Benefit.

> Senator Tillman, says the Washington correspondent of the Charleston Post, made an earnest plea at the session of the Senate Thursday night to secure a vote on free cotton bagging. Senator Aldrich asked that the paragraph go over.

In discussing the subject and in reply to Senator Aldrich, the Senator sheriff of the county, this negro from South Carolina said: "It seems to me that we might settle this tofive days hence, paid the penalty of night if the Senator from Rhode his crime with his life at the hands Island and the committee are disposed to treat the Southern farmer as A mob of not more than fifteen they have treated the Western farmmen overpowered the jailer, and at er. This cotton bagging is absolute-3 o'clock in the morning Morris was ly necessary to the Southern farmers

"We have to buy it and pay for his memory and his purpose I feel add emphasis to their lawlessness, it, and then we lose it when the cotton gets to the market for it is cartridges into the lifeless body of subtracted as tare. The Western the negro and rode away without the farmer who has to cut his wheat and oats gets his binding twine free, and Lately Morris had been acting why should not the Southern farmer who has to prepare his cotton that the negro would attempt to es- for market get his bagging and ties

> "I made an appeal to the Senator and his committee in the last tariff bill twelve years ago in relation to this matter. I got no hearing then, These facts are all matters of but I think that his heart is a little ago, and that he will realize that he ought to make some reasonable concessions and let us feel that we are not simply discriminated against, but we are from the South."

Mr. Aldrich: "I assure the Sena tor from South Carolna and the Senate that the committee at an early day will take up this matter and give it very careful considera-

The suggestion was made that the Senate might do as it did twelve years ago, and put cotton bagging on the list and then in conference tively that if any one is responsible yield to the House and recede from the attitude.

Senator Tillman was assured by Senator Aldrich that free cotton bagging would receive careful consideration by the finance committee and instructed that Senator Tillman's request be complied with.

TAFT WANTS PEACE.

North Carolina Republicans Must Harmonize.

There seems to have been something doing in Republican circles in North Carolina the past week. It is stated that President Taft is anxious to see harmony established between the North Carolina Republican chieftains, and is willing to lend his aid and influence towards "bringing together all Republican elements in the State so that they will at least be on speaking terms."

The fact is, it is declared, that President Taft has practically given orders that the Republican factions must get together, and that the invitation extended to the three North Carolina Republikan Congressmen, Messrs, Cowles, Morehead and Grant, to dine at the White House one day last week, was to get them together so he could tell them that the factions must disappear. This is the way the dinner order was put by Tom Pierce, Washington correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer.

"Duncan and Adams must lie down together, and that Morehead, Grant, Cowles, Holton, Skinner and the rest should get in bed with them. Of course this suggestion from the big chief caused wry faces, but they promised to try the harmony die for the good of the cause. The president wants the revivified Industrial News to be the altar around which all North Carolina Republicans shall gather and smoke the pipe of

HANGED HIMSELF.

Tried to Get Poison From Druggist

But Failed.

An unidentified man was found hanging from a limb of a tree on the outskirts of Dover, N. J., late Friday. He had \$1,193,72 in his pocket. Seen on the streets since Monday.

his gratic behavior was noticed. On Tuesday morning he asked a druggist for "just enough carbolic acid for one." He was nonchalant about it that

the druggist, refusing the request,

"Acid is better they tell me," the man replied.

Thaw's Appeal Denied,

ision of the Supreme Court in Brook- prison, lyn so held.

Killed in Boxing Match.

Ed Lyons, aged 30, died Saturday Keene was arrested. Lyons was knocked out in the eleventh round.

TO SAVE WIFE

A Hero Risks His Life in Swirling River in Vain.

SHE DIES IN HIS ARMS

Louis Cohen Plunges Into the Niagara Above the Cataract and Makes a Valiant Attempt to Rescue His Young Wife, Who Had Jumped Into the River.

Louis Cohen, of Buffalo, saw his young wife leap into the swirling Niagara river between Second and Third Sister Islands at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, only 150 feet above the brink of the cataract. Without a moment's hesitation, he followed, and struggled to save her. She probably died in his arms,

Before it was possible to bring efficient help, an hour had passed, durng all of which Cohen was making frantic attemp to reach the shore. The current at this point is about twenty miles an hour. But fortune aided him.

With his wife tightly clasped to him, he felt himself bump into a grounded tree stump, and on this he got a grip with his one free hand. It was nearly an hour after Mrs. Cohen jumped into the river, when police officer, James Martin, arrived with ropes, and representative Jas. H. Simons and three other men. Three times they threw the rope

efore it fell within Cohen's grasp, and then he was too weak to tie it about his own or his wife's waist. The two were twenty feet from shore, and it was difficult to make a good cast. Cohen had been unable to keep his wife's face above wa-Once Cohen laid hold of the rope,

the men on shore began to pull. When within fifteen feet of the shore Cohen lost his grip on his wife's body, and it was carried down stream and lost to view.

When (bhen got on shore, he could not 'k for ten minutes. His first wor. s were: "She is out there. Go and get he. She is dead. She died in my arms."

At last two searchers spied Mrs. Cohen's body, held fast by a rock. about one hundred feet above the brink. It was with the greatest difficulty that the two men brought the body to land. Life was extinct.

Cohen says that worry over the fact that she was unable to suckle her infant depressed his wife greatly, and probably caused her desire for death. He is robust and quickly recovered from the shock of his experience.

CENSUS COTTON REPORT.

On Condition of Crop and Acreage

Planted. The condition of the growing crop of cotton on May 25 was \$1.1 per 75.7 a year ago, and a ten-year average of \$1.4. The area planted this year is about 95.6 per cent of the area planted to cotton last year, and aggregates about 31,918,000 acres, a decrease of 1,452,000 acres or 4.4 per cent from the bureau's revised

ricultural department. Revised estimate of last 'year's planted area was 33,370,000 acres. Figures for area planted this year includes that already planted and expected to be planted. By States the area planted in acres in 1909 and the

estimate of last year's planted area.

This was Friday's report of the ag-

condition on May 25, respectively, is: Virginia-28,000 and 85 per cent. North Carolina-1,436,000 and 83

South Carolina-2,436,000 and 83 er cent. Georgia 4,763,000 and 84 per

ent. Florida-264,000 and 91 per cent. Alabama-3,552,000 and 83 per

Missiscippi 3,244,000 and 78 per cent. Louisiana-1,155,000 and 74 per

cent. Texas-9.716,000 and 78 per cent. Tennessee 754,000 and 85 per

WITH DEADLY ACID.

Man Kills His Wife Because She Was Too Beautiful.

Recause he thought his wife the most beautiful woman in the world, Gasper Zittinick poured sulphuric acid over her face as she slept in their home, in New York, intending suggested that the canal was not far to mar her beauty and make her unattractive to other men, but the acid got into her eyes and penetrated her brain, killing her. This was Zittinick's excuse when brought before Judge Malone, in general ses-Harry K. Thaw is to stay in the sions court, having plead guilty to State Asylum for the Oriminal in- manslaughter in the second degree. sane at Matteawan. A decision cen- He was sentenced to not less than ten dered Saturday by the appellate div- nor more than twenty years in

Shot at Wife.

A race horse man known as "Sugar Babe" Courtney, shot at his wife in a as a result of injuries received in a hotel in Columbia Saturday, after boxing match with George Kenne. kicking in the panels of her 7000 door, after she and locked him out. The shot ald not take effect.